

# DOLL MAN

CAREFUL, DOLL MAN!  
HE FORSEES YOUR  
EVERY MOVE!

HIS CARNIVAL OF  
TRICKS WON'T SAVE  
HIM THIS TIME, DOLL  
GIRL! HIS FAKE ROLE  
OF "DOLL MAN" IS  
GOING TO SEND HIM  
STRAIGHT TO THE  
CHAIR!



HOW IS IT THAT DOLL MAN, MODERN DAY GIANT KILLER OF CRIME, MEETS HIS MOST FORMIDABLE FOE IN THE FORM OF AN EIGHTEEN INCH TYRANT OF TERROR? THE VERY FREEDOM OF THE FAMED FIGHTER FOR JUSTICE IS THREATENED AS HE AND DOLL GIRL DESPERATELY SEEK TO MATCH WITS WITH THE DIABOLICALLY CLEVER ...

## MIDGET OF MURDER

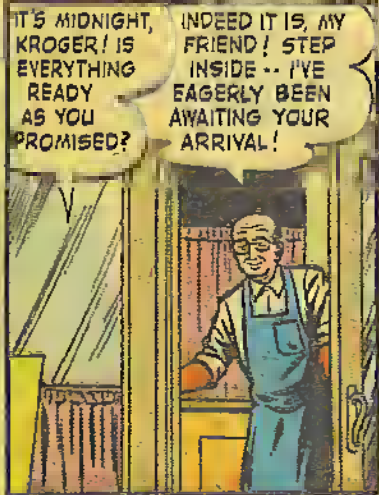


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# DOLL MAN

AT THE LATE OF EVENING, TAILOR ERNEST KROGER LEAVES HIS WORK BENCH TO ANSWER A SOFT OMINOUS KNOCK ON HIS DOOR...



IT'S MIDNIGHT, KROGER! IS EVERYTHING READY AS YOU PROMISED?

INDEED IT IS, MY FRIEND! STEP INSIDE -- I'VE EAGERLY BEEN AWAITING YOUR ARRIVAL!

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS IS A GREAT DEAL TO PAY FOR SUCH A JOB! OF COURSE, I REALIZE YOU ARE PURCHASING MY SILENCE, TOO... BUT CAN YOU AFFORD IT?



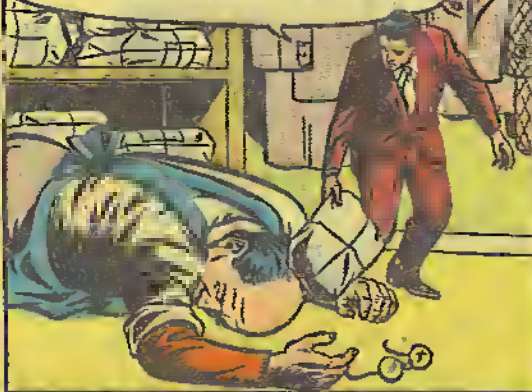
TURN AROUND AND FIND OUT, TAILOR!

PAID IN FULL, KROGER! HA-HA! NEVER LET IT BE SAID THAT JUMBO GERAD'S A WELCHER!



THE TAILOR'S BODY TOPPLES LIFELESS TO THE FLOOR! THEN, AN INCREDIBLY SMALL HAND SNATCHES THE PACKAGE FROM HIS DEATH GRASP..

YOU WERE ONE PERSON WHO COULD ENDANGER MY SECRET, OLD MAN -- THE WEAK LINK IN MY CHAIN OF FUTURE CRIMES! HA, HA.. BUT NOW THE LAW WILL NEVER FINGER JUMBO GERAD!



EXCELLENT! EXCELLENT! HE FOLLOWED MY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE LETTER! WITH THIS DUPLICATE OF DOLL MAN'S COSTUME... NOTHING CAN STOP ME! BUT I MUST BE CAUTIOUS--CHECK EVERY DETAIL BEFORE I BEGIN OPERATIONS!



WHAT POSSIBLE USE DOES THE MIDGET OF MURDER HAVE FOR A DOLL MAN COSTUME? WHAT EVIL SCHEME RESTS IN HIS FANATICAL LITTLE MIND? LATER AT JUMBO'S HIDEOUT .....

FINISHED.. AFTER ALL THESE YEARS! THIS LIBRARY OF MINE CONTAINS ALL AVAILABLE DATA ON THE DOLL MAN! THROUGH PATIENCE I'VE MANAGED TO PHOTOGRAPH HIM -- RECORD HIS VOICE FOR IMITATION! HA-HA! I KNOW HIM BETTER THAN HE KNOWS HIMSELF!

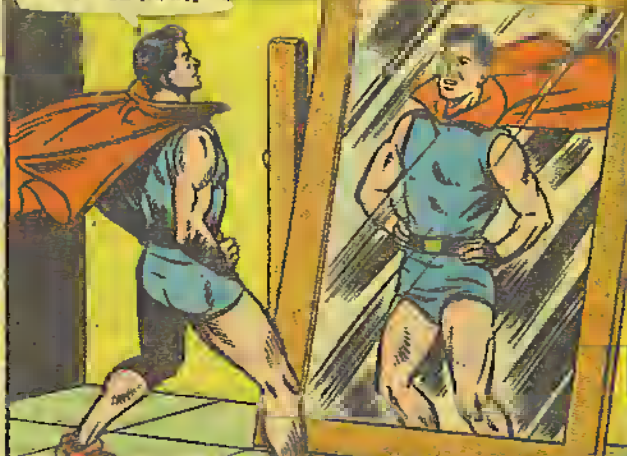




WITH PROPER DIETING I'VE MANAGED TO ASSUME HIS PHYSICAL PROPORTIONS AND FORTUNATELY MY FACIAL STRUCTURE IS IDENTICAL TO HIS! I COULD PASS AS DOLL MAN'S TWIN!



SO THEY DARE CALL ME A FREAK! WELL, I'LL SHOW THEM! I'LL USE MY SIZE TO SWINDLE AND ROB -- NOT AS JUMBO GERAD .. BUT AS DOLL MAN!



THUS IN THE GUISE OF DOLL MAN, JUMBO GERAD OPENS HIS CRIME CRUSADE BY CALLING OFFICIALS OF THE JEWELRY EXCHANGE TOGETHER FOR AN URGENT MEETING!

UNCOVERING THIS MASTER PLAN TO ROB OUR JEWELRY EXCHANGE IS APPRECIATED, DOLL MAN! NATURALLY WE'RE ONLY TO HAPPY TO TURN OVER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AS TO SAFE COMBINATIONS, ETC. TO YOU FOR SECURITY!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TRUST, GENTLEMEN! WITH THIS INFORMATION IN MY HANDS I ASSURE YOU THE..

FIND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO LOOT YOUR VALUABLES!



THAT EVENING ...

A FORTUNE IN JEWELS -- ALL MINE! WITH THE COMBINATIONS TO EVERY SAFE AND THE BLUEPRINTS TO THE SECRET BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM IN MY POSSESSION, THIS'LL BE THE BIGGEST HEIST IN HISTORY!



METHODICALLY, THE LITTLE MAN SETS ABOUT LOOTING THE EXCHANGE, FEEDING HIS TWISTED MIND WITH THE NOURISHMENT OF CRIME!

HA-HAA! I'M RICH! RICH!



NEXT MORNING, RADIO'S BLARE FORTH NEWS OF THE SHOCKING THEFT TO A STUNNED CITIZENRY! EVEN MORE BEWILDERED ARE DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL IN THEIR EVERY DAY IDENTITIES OF DARREL DANE AND MARTHA ROBERTS..

JEWELRY OFFICIALS INSIST THAT ONLY DOLL MAN COULD HAVE COMMITTED THE MASTER THEFT SINCE HE ALONE HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THE NECESSARY INFORMATION! POLICE ARE SEEKING DOLL MAN!

GOOD GRIEF! THERE'S BEEN SOME MISTAKE, DARREL!

LET'S STEP OUTSIDE WHERE WE CAN TALK!



PERHAPS YOU'D BETTER GO TO THE POLICE IMMEDIATELY AND EXPLAIN THAT YOU HAD NO HAND IN THE CRIME, DARREL!

THAT'S ONE SOLUTION, MARTHA! BUT IF I DID WE MIGHT BE FRIGHTENING THIS IMPOSTER OFF AND THE STOLEN JEWELS WOULD NEVER BE RECOVERED! HE'LL STRIKE AGAIN -- AND WE'LL BE READY FOR HIM!



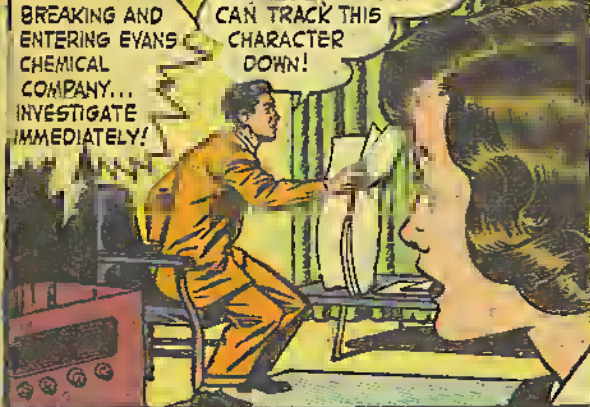


PATIENTLY THE PAIR WAIT FOR SOME WORD -- SOME LEAD TO THE UNKNOWN IMPOSTER! FINALLY, THREE DAYS LATER ...

ATTENTION ALL CARS...REPORT DOLL MAN. BREAKING AND ENTERING EVANS CHEMICAL COMPANY... INVESTIGATE IMMEDIATELY!

THERE IT IS, MARTHA! PREPARE FOR ACTION.. AND LET'S HOPE WE CAN TRACK THIS CHARACTER DOWN!

RIGHT, DARREL!



QUICKLY, THE INGENIOUS PAIR CONCENTRATE THEIR POWERFUL WILLS AND TELESCOPE INTO THE TINY FIGURES OF THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MITES... DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL!

I WONDER WHY HE SELECTED A CHEMICAL COMPANY FOR HIS NEXT THEFT, DOLL MAN? IS THERE ANY VALUE THERE!

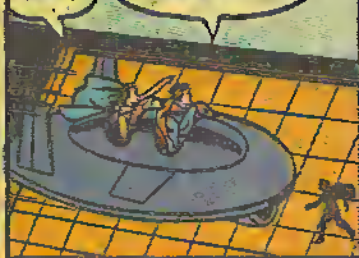
THE EVANS COMPANY RECENTLY RECEIVED A MILLION DOLLAR SHIPMENT OF RADIUM, DOLL GIRL! ITS LOSS WOULD BE A GREAT BLOW TO MEDICAL RESEARCH! LET'S HURRY!



SOON...AS THE FAMED DOLL PLANE ROCKETS ABOVE THE CHEMICAL WORKS ...

EVERYTHING SEEMS QUIET ENOUGH PERHAPS HE'S ESCAPED DOLL MAN!

LOOK THERE ... THROUGH THE SKYLIGHT, DOLL GIRL! THE RAT'S STILL NIBBLING THE CHEESE! I'M LANDING ON THE ROOF!

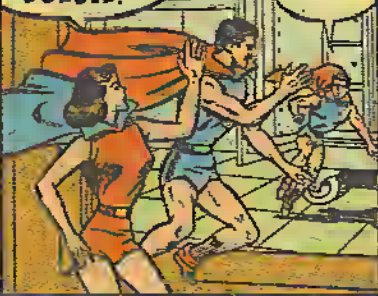


AND WITHIN THE COMPANY MOMENTS LATER....

GOOD HEAVENS! L-LOOK! THAT LITTLE MAN.. HE'S ASSUMED YOUR IDENTITY, DOLL MAN! WHY, HE COULD BE YOUR DOUBLE!

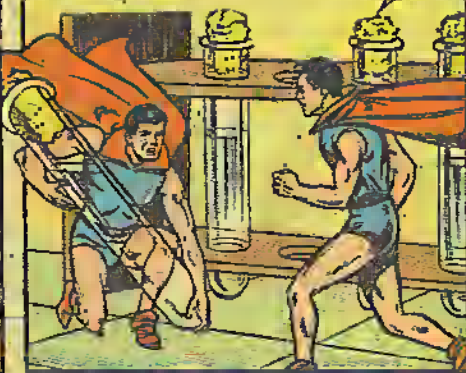
HMM.. SAME HEIGHT AND HE'S WEARING MY COSTUME! LET'S SEE HOW HE MEASURES UP IN A FIGHT!

H-HUH?



I'VE STOLEN YOUR CHARACTER SUCCESSFULLY, DOLL MAN! ODDS ARE I CAN MORE THAN MATCH YOU IN A FIGHT!

WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT, SMALL-FRY!



WITH PITCHING LIKE THAT YOU'LL END UP ON THE SECOND TEAM AT STATE PRISON, FELLER!

DON'T COUNT ON IT, YOU COSTUMED CREEP! I'VE STILL GOT AN ANSWER TO THAT FAMOUS FLYING TACKLE OF YOURS!



YOU USED IT WHEN LUCKY FAGAN'S GANG RUSHED YA! REMEMBER...?

GOOD GRIEF! HE'S UTILIZING DOLL MAN'S OWN BATTLE TACTICS AGAINST HIM!

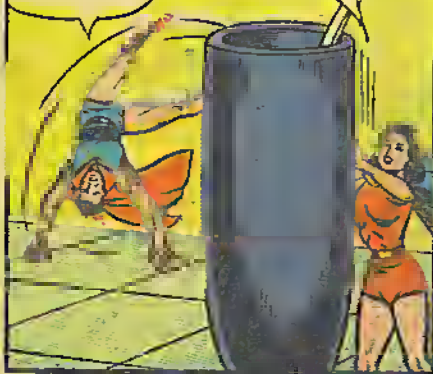




THEN, AS DOLL MAN'S ILLUSIVE DOUBLE PREPARES TO CARTWHEEL TO FREEDOM ...

BYE, BYE, DOLL MAN! SEE YOU IN THE HEADLINES! HA-HA!

NOT SO FAST, LITTLE MAN! YOU WON THE FIRST ROUND BUT THE FIGHT'S NOT OVER!



# DOLL MAN

YIPE!

THAT'S STOPPING HIM, DOLL GIRL! TAKE OVER THE REFEREEING DUTIES WHILE I PIN THIS CHARACTER DOWN!



BUT SUDDENLY!

WHEE!

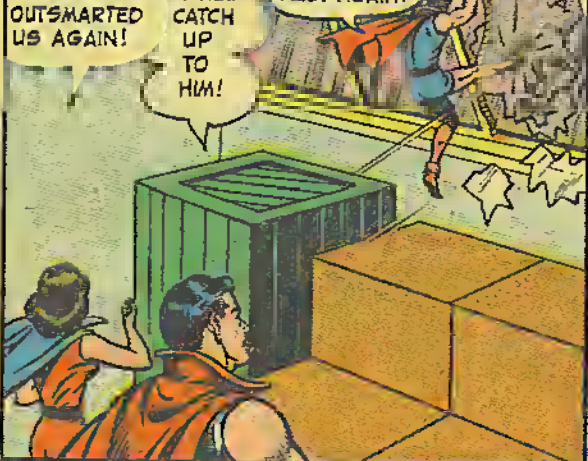
THE POLICE! LET'S HAS THIS CHARACTER BEFORE THEY GET ANY IDEAS AND MISTAKE ME FOR THE PHONY DOLL MAN!



LOOK! THAT LITTLE TERROR'S OUTSMARTED US AGAIN!

PERHAPS I CAN STILL CATCH UP TO HIM!

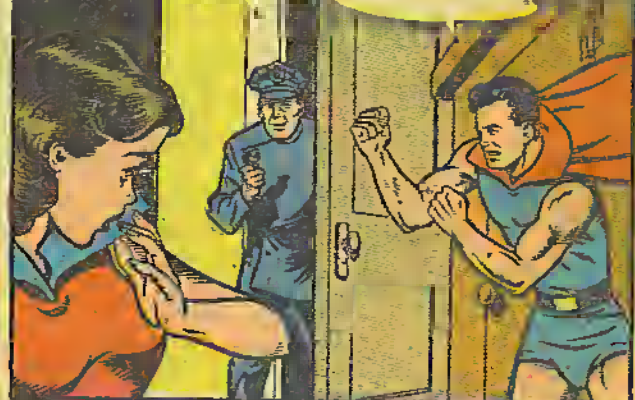
SO LONG, DOLLS! UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN!



TOO LATE DOLL MAN! T-THE POLICE!

STOP IN THE NAME OF THE LAW, DOLL MAN.. OR WE'LL FIRE!

JUST WHAT I WAS AFRAID OF! THEY'RE CONVINCED I'M THE CROOKED ONE! WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT, DOLL GIRL!



AND THE ONCE FAMOUS FIGHTERS FOR JUSTICE DODGE POLICE BULLETS IN THEIR FLIGHT TO FREEDOM

T-THIS ALL SEEMS SO WRONG.

I KNOW, DOLL GIRL! BUT THIS MIDGET OF CRIME HAS WOVEN US INTO A CUNNING TRAP! OUR ONLY CHANCE TO PROVE OUR INNOCENCE IS TO REMAIN FREE!



I NEVER BELIEVED I'D BE RUNNING FROM THE POLICE!

IT'S A NASTY MESS! LET'S HOPE WE CAN CLEAR IT UP SOON!

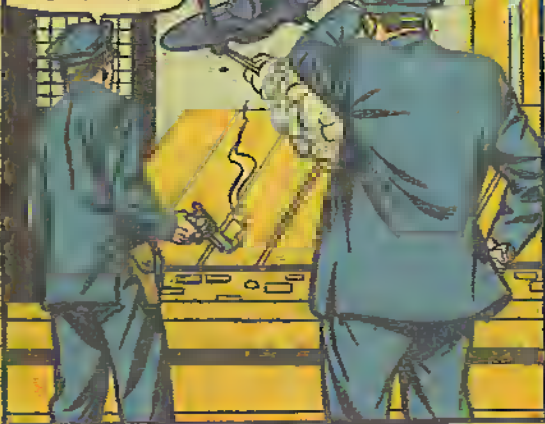




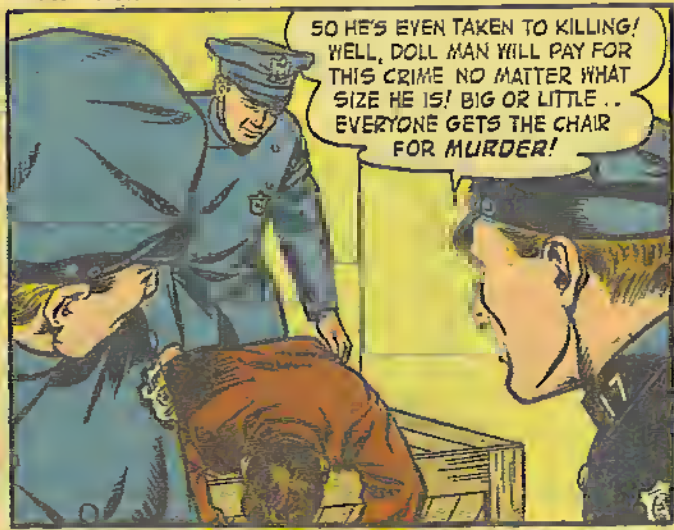
# DOLL MAN

THERE IT IS, BOYS!  
YOU ALL SAW IT WITH  
YOUR OWN EYES-- THE  
DOLL MAN AND DOLL  
GIRL HAVE TAKEN TO A  
LIFE OF CRIME!

I-I NEVER WOULD HAVE  
BELIEVED IT! IT'LL BE A  
BLOW TO THE WIFE AND  
KIDS!



THE POLICE ARE SHOCKED TO ANGER WHEN THEY FURTHER  
INVESTIGATE THE CHEMICAL WORKS ....



SO HE'S EVEN TAKEN TO KILLING!  
WELL, DOLL MAN WILL PAY FOR  
THIS CRIME NO MATTER WHAT  
SIZE HE IS! BIG OR LITTLE ..  
EVERYONE GETS THE CHAIR  
FOR MURDER!

HOURS  
LATER,  
AS  
DOLL MAN  
AND  
DOLL GIRL,  
IN THEIR  
DUAL  
IDENTITIES  
OF DARREL  
DANE AND  
MARTHA  
ROBERTS  
READ  
FRONT  
PAGE  
HEADLINES ..

MURDER! WHAT ON EARTH  
HAVE WE GOTTEN OUR-  
SELVES INTO, DARREL? IF  
WE DON'T REVEAL THIS  
FARCE SOON WE'LL BE  
PAYING FOR THAT LITTLE  
CREATURE'S  
DEEDS!

I KNOW, MARTHA! BUT  
WE'RE HELPLESS UNTIL  
HE STRIKES AGAIN AND  
WE RUN HIM DOWN! LET'S  
SIT TIGHT ... AND KEEP  
OUR FINGERS CROSSED!



MEANWHILE THE MURDEROUS MIDGET GLOATS  
IN HIS CRIME LABORATORY ...

HA-HA! WHAT A SHOW! UTILIZING ONE OF  
DOLL MAN'S OWN TRICKS TO OUTWIT HIM!  
HMM, BUT THAT LITTLE PACKAGE OF  
DYNAMITE WILL BE BACK!



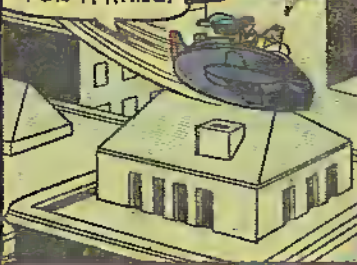
YES, WHEN HE INTERFERES AGAIN I  
MUST BE PREPARED TO GET RID OF  
HIM FOR GOOD! OF COURSE I'LL  
ARRANGE A TRAP SO THAT HE'LL  
BE OUT OF THE  
WAY AND I'LL  
BE A FREE AND  
UNUSPECTED  
CITIZEN!



SEVERAL EVENINGS LATER, AS  
DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL  
STREAK ACROSS THE CITY IN  
THEIR LIGHTNING-FAST DOLLPLANE!

WE'VE CHECKED NEARLY  
EVERY JEWELRY STORE,  
BANK AND POSSIBLE  
ROBBERY SCENE IN  
TOWN! PERHAPS THAT LITTLE  
TERROR IS QUITTING  
FOR A WHILE!

WE  
CAN'T  
GAMBLE  
ON  
THAT,  
DOLL  
GIRL!



OUR NEXT STOP BETTER  
BE LACY'S DEPARTMENT  
STORE, WHERE THE  
FAMOUS COLLECTION  
OF ART OBJECTS  
BELONGING TO  
MILLIONAIRE,  
MELBA RAYDOLLA,  
ARE ON EXHIBITION  
FOR SALE!

GOOD IDEA!  
THEY'RE BEING  
SHOWN TO THE  
PUBLIC FOR THE  
FIRST TIME AND  
THAT FIENDISH  
COPY-CAT  
DOUBLE OF  
YOURS WOULD  
KNOW OF IT!



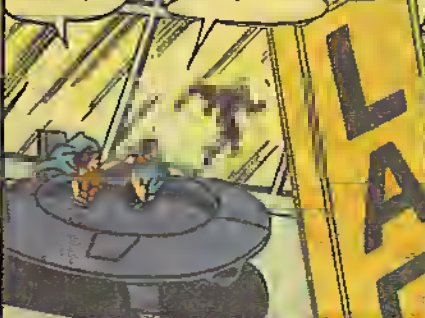


SECONDS AFTERWARD, AS THE AIR-BORNE CRIME-SMASHERS REACH LACY'S DEPARTMENT STORE ....

ABRUPTLY, THE DIMINUTIVE DYNAMOS BURST INTO ACTION ...

DOLL MAN

DOLL MAN! LOOK! SOMEONE IS INSIDE THE EXHIBITION ROOM! AND TEN TO ONE IT'S THE MIDGET THIEF! PROBABLY USED HIS TINY SIZE TO HIDE HIMSELF DURING THE STORE'S OPEN HOURS! LET'S GO!



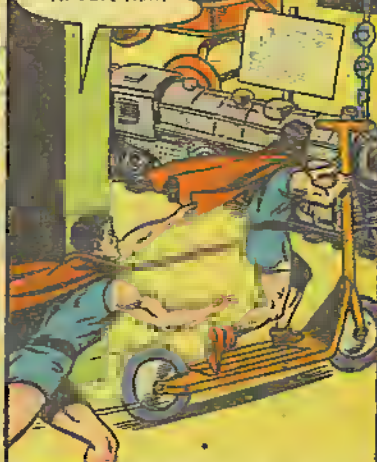
THERE HE IS! WE'LL ROUND UP THIS MIDGET UP THIS MIDGET HEADACHE IN A HURRY!

WHA...? DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL!

HA-HA! NOW TO RUN EVERYTHING AS PLANNED!



HE'S FAST AS A JACK RABBIT! C'MON, DOLL GIRL! LET'S RIDE THE ERIE LIMITED AFTER HIM!

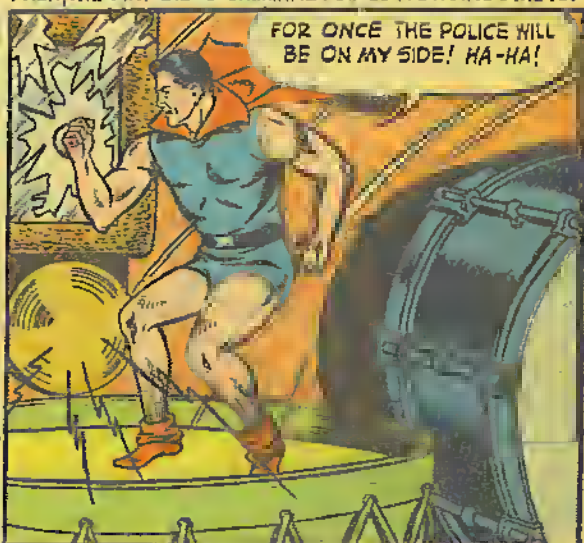
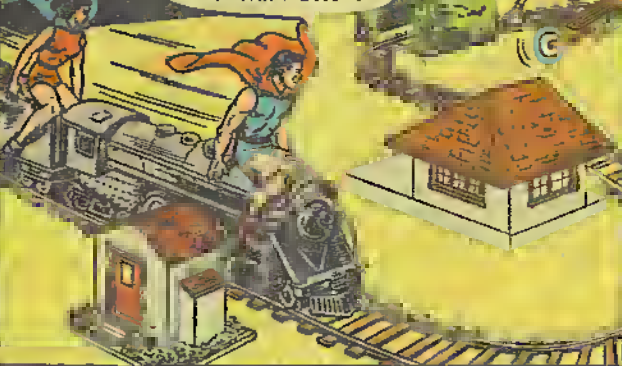


AS THE BIZZARE CHASE CONTINUES THROUGH THE TOY DEPARTMENT ....

THEN THE PINT-SIZED CRIMINAL MAKES A STRANGE MOVE!

HE'S JUMPING FROM THE SCOOTER, DOLL MAN!

GUESS HE KNOWS HE CAN'T OUTPACE US! TOO BAD WE'LL HAVE TO DERAIL THIS RARE MODEL TRAIN BUT THERE'S NO WAY TO SHUT OFF THE POWER!



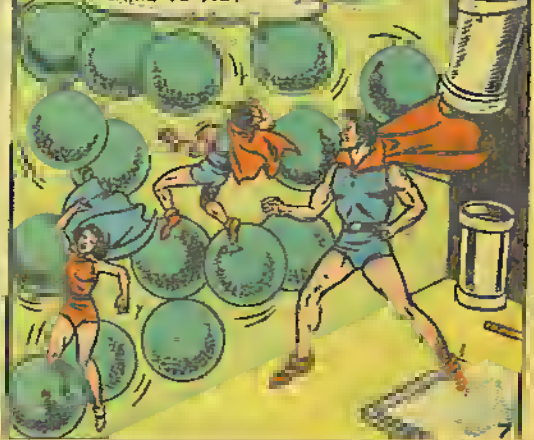
FOR ONCE THE POLICE WILL BE ON MY SIDE! HA-HA!

WHAT'S THE MATTER, DOLL MAN? CAN'T YOU EVEN CATCH UP WITH A MIDGET? THOUGHT YOU WERE A GIANT KILLER! HA-HA!

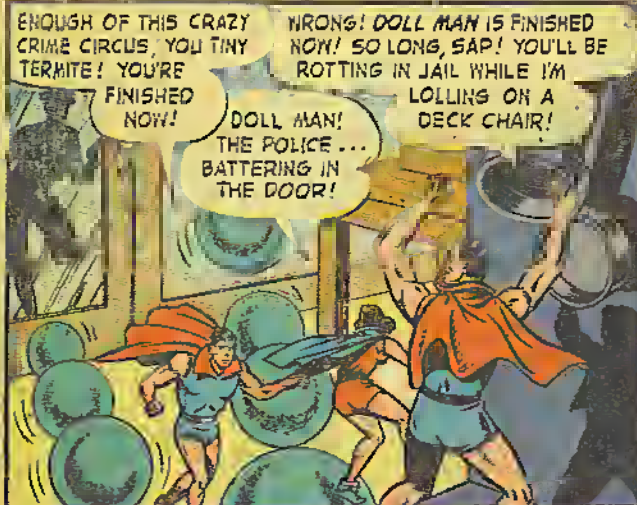
STRANGE... HE SEEMS MORE INTERESTED IN PLAYING WITH US THAN HARMING US!... LOOK OUT! HE'S KICKED THOSE RUBBER BALLS FREE!



TOO BAD HOODS DIDN'T THINK OF THIS BEFORE! IT'S THE LITTLE THINGS THAT CONFUSE THAT PAIR!... ALMOST TIME TO ACT ...







ENOUGH OF THIS CRAZY CRIME CIRCUS, YOU TINY TERMITE! YOU'RE FINISHED NOW!

DOLL MAN! THE POLICE ... BATTERING IN THE DOOR!

WRONG! DOLL MAN IS FINISHED NOW! SO LONG, SAP! YOU'LL BE ROTTING IN JAIL WHILE I'M LOLLING ON A DECK CHAIR!

DON'T MOVE, DOLL MAN! WE DON'T WANT TO SHOOT YOU UNLESS IT'S NECESSARY!

RUN FOR IT, DOLL GIRL! YOU'LL HAVE TO CONTINUE AFTER HIM ALONE!



DOLL MAN STALLED THE POLICE SO THAT DOLL GIRL COULD ESCAPE!

LATER, A SPECIAL "CELL" IS BUILT FOR THE FAMED DOLL MAN AT HEADQUARTERS ...

THAT NIGHT, A TINY FIGURE WORKS LABORIOUSLY IN HIS CELL ...

YOU SAY THIS SO CALLED DOUBLE OF YOURS ESCAPED BY MEANS OF THIS TUBE WHICH CARRIES BILLS BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS! SORRY, DOLL MAN, BUT WE'LL HAVE TO TALK TO YOU! YOU'RE WANTED FOR MURDER!

IT'S THE TRUTH, OFFICER! I'M NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE CRIMES! A FIENDISH MIDGET IS USING MY IDENTITY TO MAKE A NAME FOR HIMSELF! AND ORDER!

YOU'D SQUEEZE THROUGH THE BARS OF AN ORDINARY CELL, DOLL MAN! SO WE HAD THIS ONE BUILT! WHY NOT CONFESS EVERYTHING?

MY ONLY CHANCE IS TO GET OUT OF HERE-PROVE I HAVEN'T TURNED TO CRIME BY BRINGING IN THE REAL THIEF! HMM...

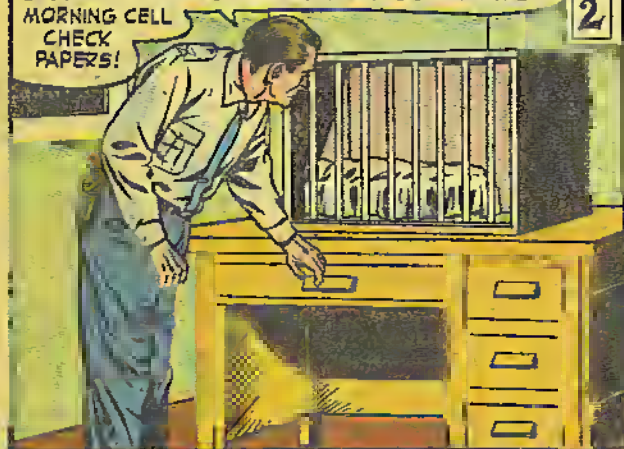


GOT TO WORK FAST!

AND NEXT MORNING, AS THE JAILER MAKES HIS ROUNDS ...

IT'S A SHAME! POOR LITTLE DOLL MAN IN JAIL! WELL, BETTER GET ALONG WITH MY WORK AND SIGN THE MORNING CELL CHECK PAPERS!

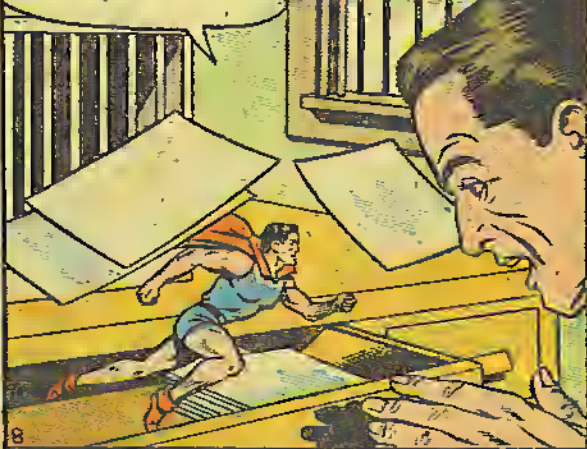
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SUDDENLY ...

SORRY, BUT TO PREVENT FURTHER GRIMES BY THE REAL CULPRIT I'VE GOT TO BE FREE!

H-HUH?





GREAT CAESAR! THE LITTLE FELLOW  
BUSTED THE INK WELL AN' USED THE  
GLASS TO DIG HIMSELF RIGHT  
THROUGH THE HOLE SUNK FOR  
IT INTO THE DRAWER BELOW!



DOLL MAN  
AFTER ESCAPING, DOLL MAN MAKES  
A NUMBER OF FRANTIC PHONE  
CALLS UNTIL ----

THAT'S  
RIGHT,  
SIR,  
I'M  
SURE  
OF IT!



THANK YOU!  
YOU'VE  
BEEN OF  
GREAT  
HELP!



AND MINUTES LATER, ABOARD  
THE SUN DECK OF THE  
S.S. KEY LARGO --

YOU!  
HERE!

THAT'S RIGHT, BANTAM  
BURGLAR! YOUR  
MISTAKE WAS MENTION-  
ING THAT YOU'D BE LOLLING  
IN A DECK CHAIR WHILE  
I ROTTED IN JAIL!



MIDGETS ARE EASY TO TRACE! THE SHIP'S  
PURSER EASILY REMEMBERED YOU  
BEING ABOARD  
THIS VESSEL!  
YOU'RE GOING  
BACK AND  
CONFESS!



BUT SHORTLY, AS DOLL MAN BRINGS THE VICIOUS MIDGET  
TO JAIL ---

OFFICERS! I HAD TO ESCAPE TO BRING  
IN THE MIDGET WHO'S BEEN  
IMITATING ME! I DISGUISED  
MYSELF AND CAPTURED  
HIM! HERE HE IS!

WHA --? GREAT  
CATS! HE'S STILL  
GOT MY  
COSTUME ON!



IT'S JUST THE  
OPPOSITE! I'M  
THE REAL DOLL  
MAN! I  
CAPTURED  
HIM!

YOU FOOL  
ATTEMPTING  
TO LIE YOUR  
WAY OUT!  
LOCK HIM UP,  
OFFICER!

WHOA, JUST  
A MINUTE  
NOW! WHO  
IS LYING?

VERY SIMPLE TO  
FIND THE TRUTH!  
MY DOG, ELMO,  
IS AT THE KENT  
KENNELS! GET  
HIM -- HE'LL  
GO TO HIS  
MASTER!

SOUNDS FAIR ENOUGH!  
SOMEBODY PICK  
THE DOG UP!

GREAT SCOTT!  
HE MUST HAVE A  
DOG DOUBLE, TOO --  
AND I CAN'T  
PRODUCE MY  
ELMO FROM  
HOME WITHOUT  
REVEALING MY  
REAL-LIFE  
IDENTITY OF  
DARREL DANE!





AND SHORTLY, DOLL MAN'S LAST HOPES ARE  
DASHED TO THE GROUND AS ...

DOLL MAN

BUT A HALF HOUR LATER, AS DOLL GIRL ARRIVES...

SEE, HE COMPLETELY  
IGNORED THIS  
IMPOSTER! I'M THE  
REAL DOLL MAN!  
THIS PROVES IT!

HE'S A FRAUD I  
TELL YOU! PLEASE  
GET DOLL GIRL! TELL  
HER I'M IN TROUBLE  
AND SHE'LL COME!

ALL RIGHT!  
WE'LL  
PROVE IT  
FOR SURE!



GOSH, I'M SORRY! AFTER  
STUDYING THEM CAREFULLY  
I JUST CAN'T TELL WHICH  
IS THE REAL DOLL MAN!

GOOD HANNAH!  
EVEN DOLL  
GIRL IS  
FOOLED!

WHEW!  
THAT HAD  
ME SCARED...  
GUESS I'M  
BETTER  
THAN I  
THOUGHT!



CAN  
THIS SPELL  
FINISH TO  
DOLL MAN?  
WILL HE  
EITHER  
HAVE TO  
ROT IN  
JAIL OR  
REVEAL  
HIS TRUE  
IDENTITY  
OF DARREL  
DANE? LATER  
THE  
JUBILANT  
IMPOSTER  
REVELS  
IN HIS  
SUCCESS...

WHEE, I'M FREE AND DOLL  
MAN IS RUINED! NOW  
THAT I'VE MISSED MY  
BOAT I MIGHT AS WELL  
DESTROY ALL EVIDENCE!  
HA, HA! I'LL LIVE A LIFE  
OF FREEDOM AND EASE  
WITH THE WEEDS I'VE  
STOLEN!



ABRUPTLY, JUMBO'S HAPPINESS IS  
SHATTERED AS ----

DOLL  
MAN!  
ESCAPED  
AGAIN!

NOT  
ESCAPED,  
BUSTER,  
RELEASED!

I'LL SAVE  
HIS DATA  
ON YOU FOR  
EVIDENCE  
WHILE YOU  
HANDLE HIM,  
DOLL MAN!



THE BROWN DYE YOU USED TO  
COLOR YOUR DOG TO LOOK  
LIKE MY ELMO WASHED  
OUT IN THE RAIN!

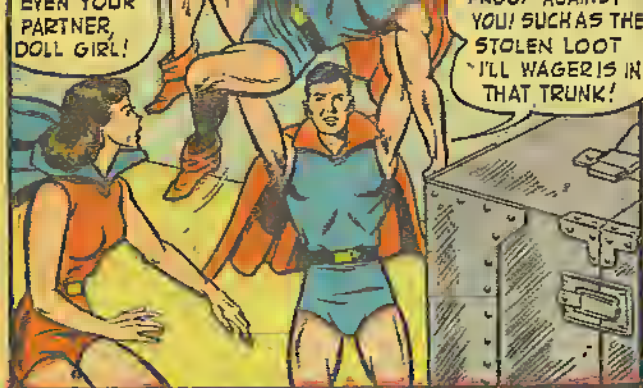


LET ME GO! I'M  
STRONGER  
THAN YOU  
ARE! I'M  
SMARTER!  
I FOOLED  
EVEN YOUR  
PARTNER,  
DOLL GIRL!

NO YOU DIDN'T SMALL STUFF!  
SHE PRETENDED SHE COULDN'T  
TELL US APART  
DELIBERATELY!  
YOU SEE, WE  
NEEDED THE  
PROOF AGAINST  
YOU! SUCH AS THE  
STOLEN LOOT  
I'LL WAGER IS IN  
THAT TRUNK!

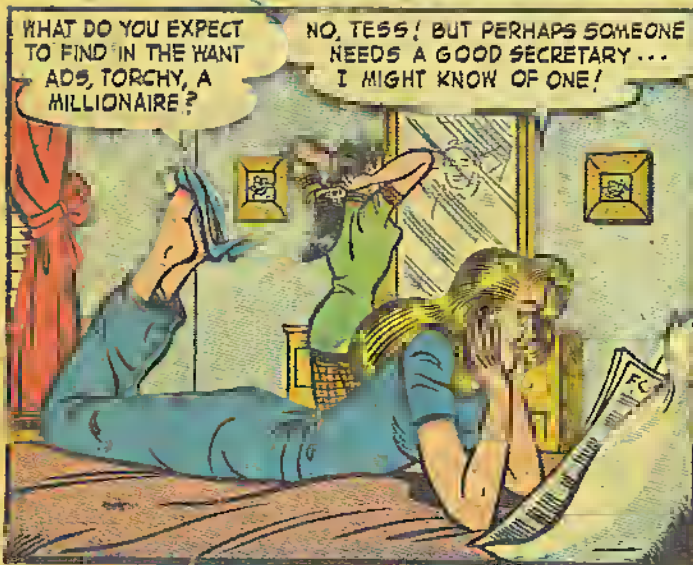
WHEW! AND TO THINK  
HE ALMOST ESCAPED  
WITH ALL THIS LOOT  
WHILE WE HELD YOU,  
DOLL MAN!

THE WHOLE CASE WAS PRETTY  
FRIGHTENING! NOT KNOWING  
DOLL GIRL WAS PLAYING ALONG  
WITH THE POLICE I WAS  
MIGHTY SHOCKED WHEN  
SHE FAILED TO KNOW ME..  
YES SIREE!

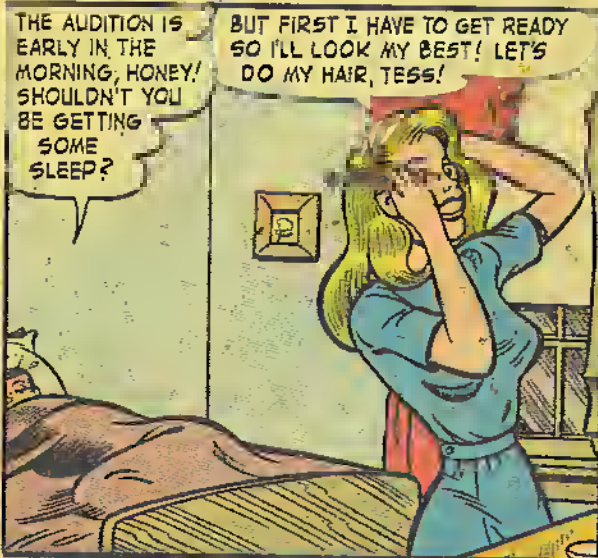
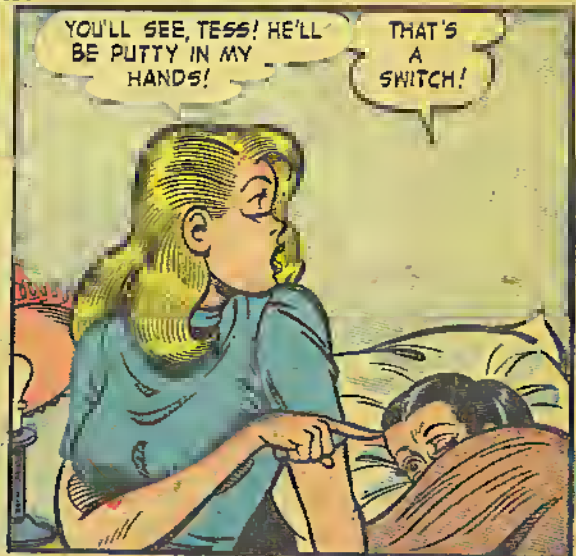
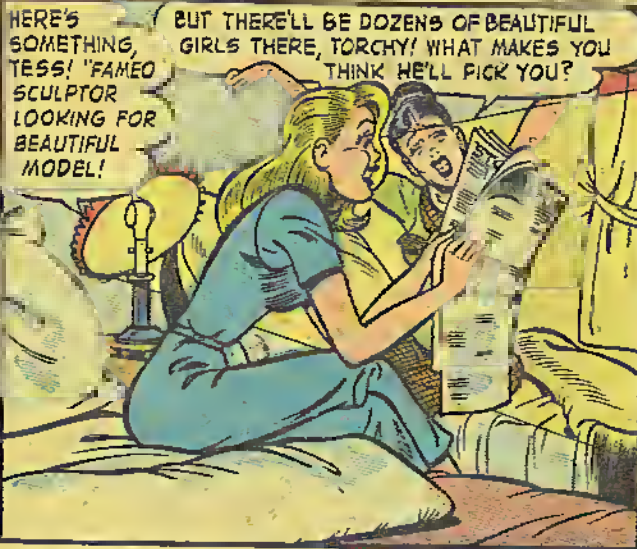




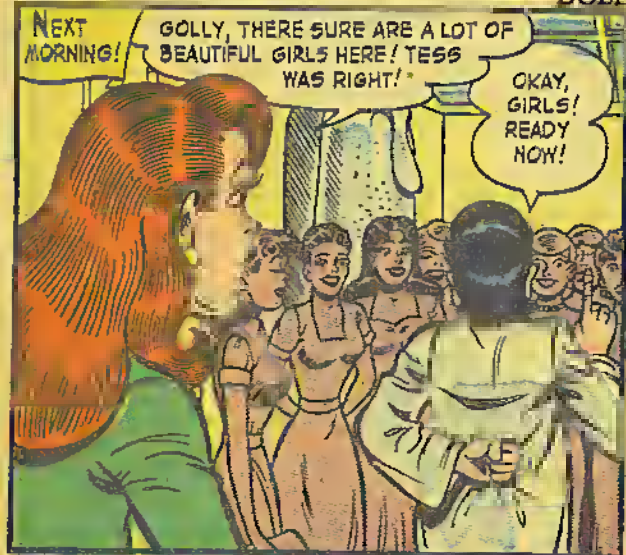
# TORCHY













YOU WILL BE MARVELOUS! WHAT LIPS!  
HAIR! EYES!

I HOPE TESS  
ISN'T ANGRY!  
HE DIDN'T  
MENTION  
HER  
MANICURE!



I CAN'T WAIT TO  
LOOK  
AT ME!

SOON! BUT NOT TILL  
I FINISH!



THAT  
NIGHT!

AND IT WILL LOOK  
JUST LIKE YOU,  
HE SAID?

NOT ONLY THAT! IT  
WILL REVEAL MY  
BEAUTIFUL SOUL! AND  
TALKING ABOUT SOLES  
-- MY FEET ARE  
KILLING ME!



LATER THAT WEEK!

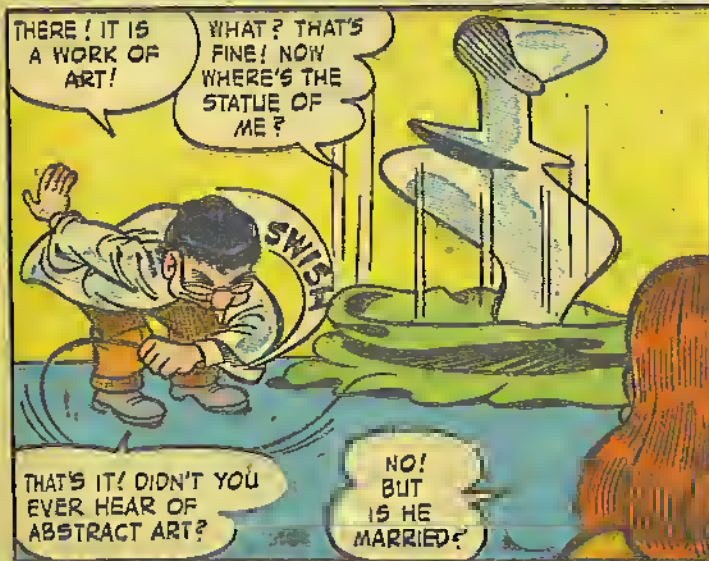
THE MOMENT HAS  
ARRIVED! NOW YOU  
MAY LOOK!

I'M EXHAUSTED, BUT IT'S  
BEEN WORTH IT! GOSH..  
I'M SO NERVOUS!



THERE! IT IS  
A WORK OF  
ART!

WHAT? THAT'S  
FINE! NOW  
WHERE'S THE  
STATUE OF  
ME?



THAT'S IT! DIDN'T YOU  
EVER HEAR OF  
ABSTRACT ART?

NO!  
BUT  
IS HE  
MARRIED?

IS HE MARRIED?  
ABSTRACT ART!  
IS HE MARRIED?  
ALL MY WORK FOR  
NAUGHT! GET  
OUT! IS HE  
MARRIED!!

WHAT ARE YOU SO  
MAD ABOUT? I  
WOULDN'T GO OUT  
WITH HIM  
IF HE IS!

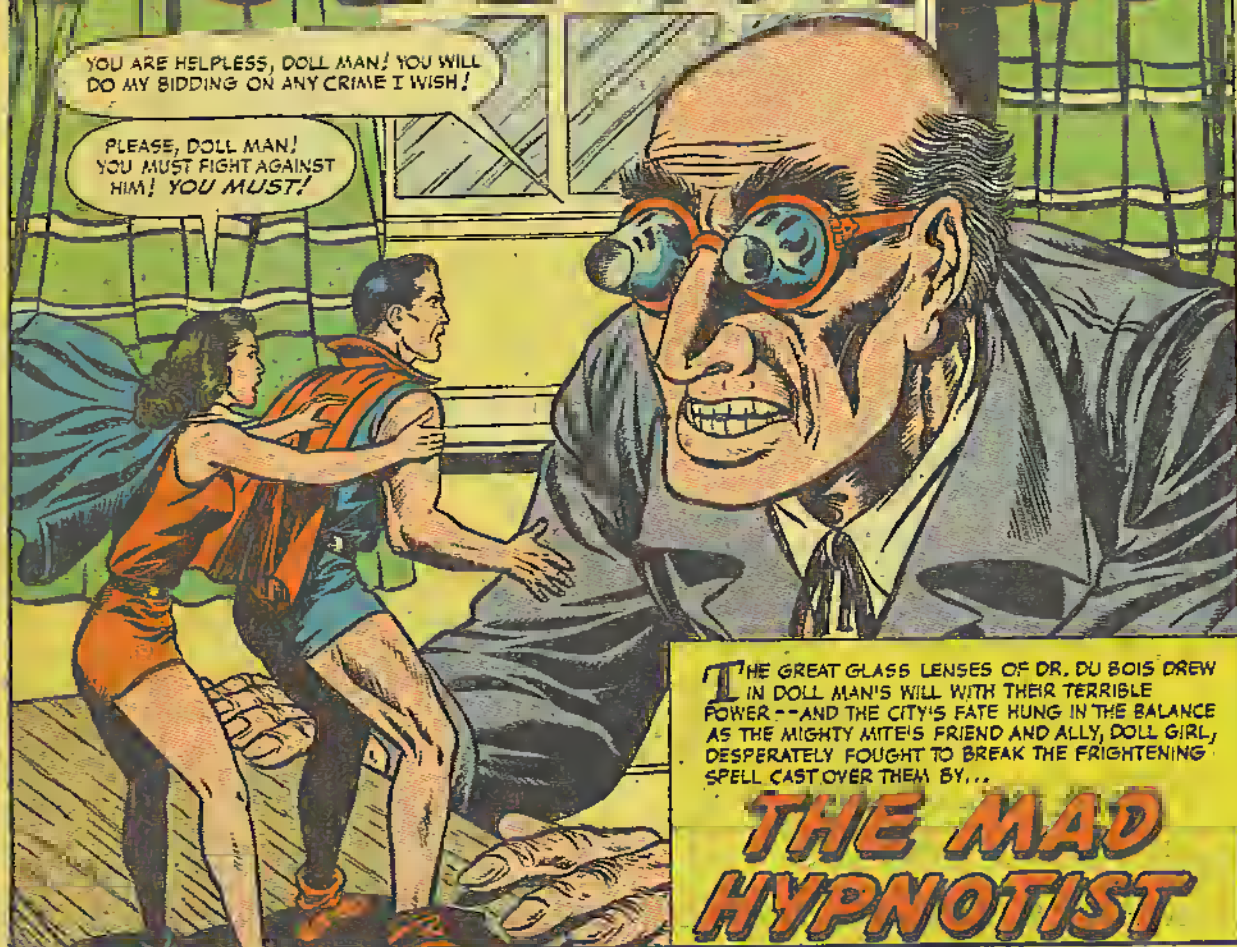




# DOLL MAN

YOU ARE HELPLESS, DOLL MAN! YOU WILL DO MY BIDDING ON ANY CRIME I WISH!

PLEASE, DOLL MAN!  
YOU MUST FIGHT AGAINST  
HIM! YOU MUST!



THE GREAT GLASS LENSES OF DR. DU BOIS DREW IN DOLL MAN'S WILL WITH THEIR TERRIBLE POWER--AND THE CITY'S FATE HUNG IN THE BALANCE AS THE MIGHTY MITE'S FRIEND AND ALLY, DOLL GIRL, DESPERATELY FOUGHT TO BREAK THE FRIGHTENING SPELL CAST OVER THEM BY...

## THE MAD HYPNOTIST

IN A SMALL CITY LABORATORY DR. ANDRE DU BOIS WORKS FEVERISHLY UPON A STRANGE PAIR OF SPECTACLES...



FINISHED AT LAST! THESE TELESCOPE GLASSES ARE A MIRACLE OF SCIENTIFIC CRAFTSMANSHIP! I'LL MANUFACTURE THEM BY THE THOUSANDS AND MAKE A FORTUNE!

BUT AS THE EXCITED DOCTOR TESTS HIS MASTERPIECE...

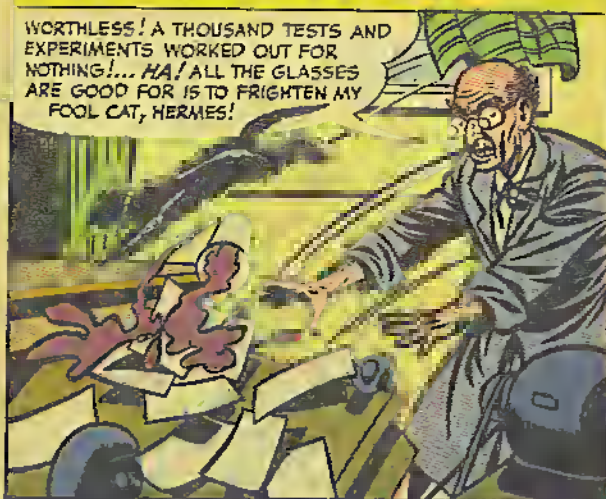


WHA...? THE VISION IS CONTORTED!  
I-I-VE FAILED!



**BITTER ANGER OVERWHELMS DR. DU BOIS AS HIS CAT RECOILS AT THE EERIE FACE OF HIS MASTER AND...**

WORTHLESS! A THOUSAND TESTS AND EXPERIMENTS WORKED OUT FOR NOTHING!... HA! ALL THE GLASSES ARE GOOD FOR IS TO FRIGHTEN MY FOOL CAT, HERMES!



FRIGHTENED FOOL, HERMES! WHY DON'T YOU LAUGH AT ME!... LAUGH AT MY COLOSSAL BLUNDER? LAUGH, HERMES! I COMMAND YOU TO LAUGH!



THE CAT'S FEAR-FILLED EYES DIM AND GLAZE OVER! SUDDENLY, THE CREATURE REARS BACK ON ITS HAUNCHES...

ME-E-E-E-  
O-O-O-W-  
W-W-W...  
O-W-W  
O-O-W

GREAT HEAVENS! HERMES I-IS LAUGHING!

KNOCK KNOCK

YOUR HOT TEA, DR. DU BOIS!



SHALL I PLACE IT ON YOUR WORK BENCH, SIR?

SUFFERING HANNAH! THE WAY HERMES LOOKED INTO THE LENSES--AS IF HYPNOTIZED! CAN IT BE? HAVE MY GLASSES SOME POWERFUL, HYPNOTIC POWER? I MUST KNOW!

WAIT! HOLD THE TRAY, CRANDELL!



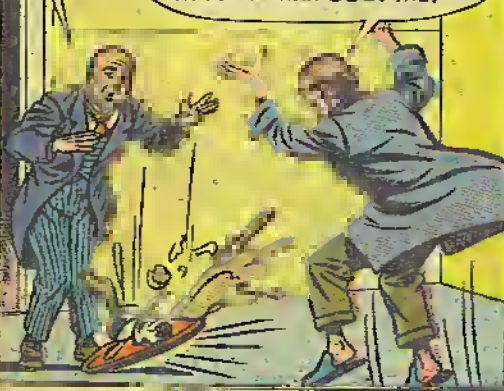
CATS DON'T LAUGH! I MUST TEST CRANDELL--ATTEMPT TO PROJECT MY THOUGHT IMPULSES!... CRANDELL! YOU WILL DROP THE TRAY! YOU WILL DROP THE TRAY AT ONCE!



**ABRUPTLY, AS THE SERVANT'S EYES GLAZE...**

T-THOSE GLASSES! I--I... OH-H-H!

AHA! FORGET IT, CRANDELL! I HAVE MADE A MIRACLE LENSE! MORE WONDERFUL THAN I THOUGHT! I CAN PROJECT MY THOUGHT IMPULSES INTO HUMANS THROUGH IT! MAKE THEM OBEY ME!

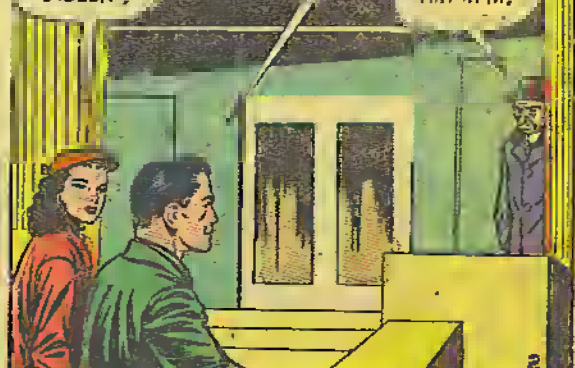


So it is, that next day, DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL IN THEIR REAL-LIFE IDENTITIES OF DARREL DANE AND MARTHA ROBERTS ARE OBSERVED BY THE SCIENTIST...

GOODNESS, DARREL, DO YOU REALLY THINK THERE'S TRUTH TO THE UNDERWORLD RUMOR THAT THE FAMOUS DIEDNEY ART COLLECTION WILL BE STOLEN?

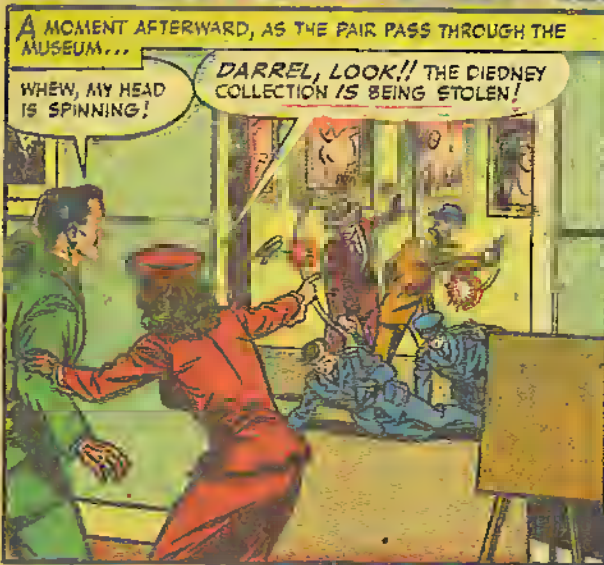
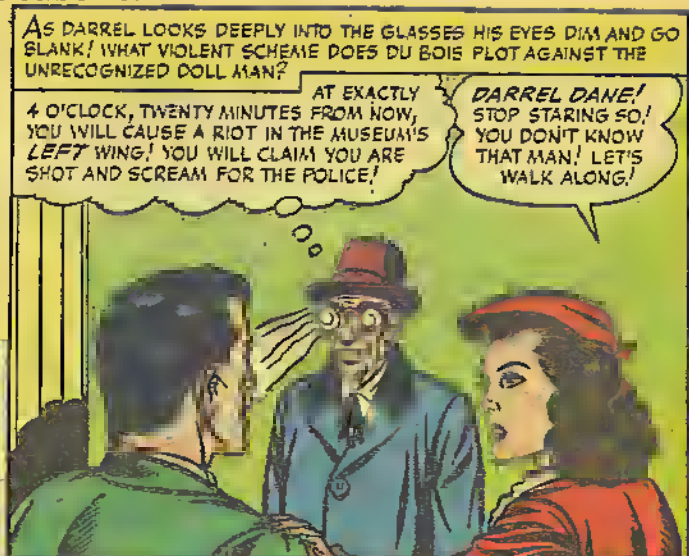
WE CAN'T AFFORD TO BE WRONG, MARTHA! IT'S BEST THAT DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL BE ON HAND TODAY WHEN IT'S PUT ON DISPLAY!

HM-M-W!





# DOLL MAN





WITHIN TWENTY MINUTES THE DIMINUTIVE DYNAMOS HAVE SUBDUED THE WOULD-BE THIEVES AND...

D-DOLL MAN! YOU CAN'T RUSH OFF UNTIL WE GIVE THE POLICE A REPORT!

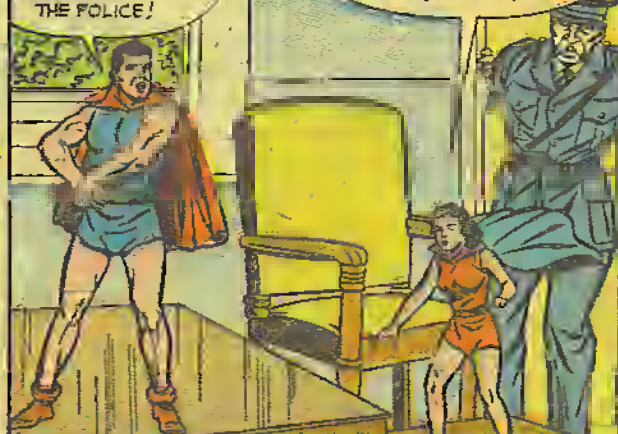
I-I CAN'T HELP IT, DOLL GIRL! I'VE GOT TO...



A MOMENT AFTERWARD, A STARTLING SCENE TAKES PLACE IN THE MUSEUM'S LEFT WING...

HELP! HELP! I'VE BEEN SHOT! CALL THE POLICE!

GREAT HEAVENS! WHAT ON EARTH IS WRONG WITH DOLL MAN?



AND OUTSIDE THE MUSEUM...

DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL CAPTURED THEM IN THE CENTER EXHIBITION ROOM!

WHAT LUCK! BLUNDERING THIEVES SPOILED MY CHANCES TO ROB THE RIGHT WING WHILE THAT FOOL I HYPNOTIZED CREATES A RIOT... EH? WHAT'S THAT?



I'M SHOT! CALL THE POLICE!

THUNDERATION! THAT'S DOLL MAN--SHOUTING THE WORDS I WANTED THE DUPE TO SHOUT! W-WAY, OF COURSE! I'VE STUMBLED ONTO DOLL MAN'S REAL-LIFE IDENTITY! THE GIRL CALLED HIM DARREL DANE! THAT'S WHO DOLL MAN REALLY IS!



LATER, AS DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL DINE IN THEIR REAL-LIFE ROLLS OF DARREL AND MARTHA...

MARTHA, I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT CAME OVER ME! IT'S SO STRANGE... PERHAPS I NEED A REST!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, DARREL! I'M SURE YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT!



THEN... HA, HA! BY UTILIZING DOLL MAN'S TINY SIZE I'LL SOON BECOME A MASTER THIEF! HE'LL BE MY CRIME PUPPET!



AND A MOMENT AFTERWARD...

YOUR ORDER, SIR!

THE CARLTON PEARL NECKLACE IS IN THE VAULT OF THE NATIONAL BANK, DANE! AS DOLL MAN YOU WILL ENTER THE VENTILATION SHAFT ON THE ROOF AND STEAL IT FOR ME! WHEN YOU GET THE NECKLACE LEAVE IT ON THE ROOF NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT!

I-I...



WHAT CAN THIS MEAN? WILL DOLL MAN BECOME A HELPLESS VICTIM OF DR. DU BOIS' WILL IN THE FUTURE?

IT'S MY HEAD AGAIN, MARTHA! THE SAME SPINNING SENSATION!

YOU'D BETTER RETURN RIGHT HOME AFTER DINNER AND REST, DARREL!





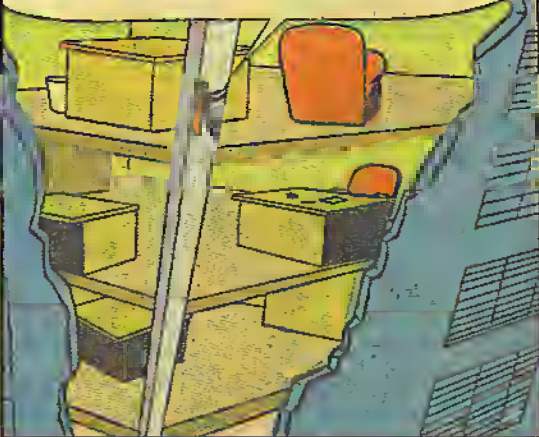
WILL  
DU BOIS'  
CUNNING  
SCHEME  
TO  
ENLIST  
DOLL MAN'S  
AID IN  
CRIME  
SUCCEED?  
NEXT  
EVENING,  
ON A  
ROOF TOP  
NEIGHBORING  
THE  
NATIONAL  
BANK  
BUILDING...

THERE'S DOLL MAN NOW... CARRYING  
OUT THE HYPNOTIC COMMANDS THAT I  
HAD GIVEN HIM AS DARREL DANE! HA, HA!  
INDEED, I HAVE FOUND MYSELF A  
WORTHY PARTNER IN CRIME!

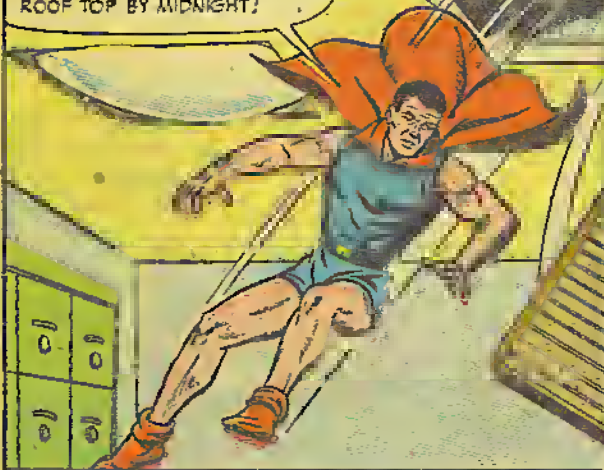


AND WITHIN THE VENTILATOR SHAFT MOMENTS LATER...

TRICKY BUSINESS! ONE FALSE MOVE AND I'LL DROP  
TO MY DEATH! I'LL HAVE TO EASE DOWN SLOWLY...  
CAN'T AFFORD TO MESS THIS JOB UP... NOW!



THIS IS THE VAULT ALL RIGHT! NOW  
TO TAKE OUT THE CARLTON PEARLS!  
I'VE GOT TO BE BACK ON THE  
ROOF TOP BY MIDNIGHT!



SHORTLY BEFORE MIDNIGHT...

HE'S DONE IT! DOLL MAN'S CARRIED  
OUT MY ORDERS TO THE LETTER! IN A  
MOMENT I'LL HAVE MY HANDS ON THE  
MOST VALUABLE PEARLS IN THE WORLD!



DISCOVERING DOLL MAN'S REAL-LIFE  
IDENTITY WAS A REAL STROKE OF  
LUCK! HIS SIZE WILL OPEN THE  
DOORS OF GREAT FORTUNES TO ME...  
AND HIS COURAGE AND SKILL WILL  
ASSURE SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS!



BUT ANDRE DU BOIS' DIABOLICAL  
HAPPINESS IS SHORT LIVED! FOR AS THE  
DOCTOR APPRAISES THE THEFT LATER...

P-PASTE! THESE PEARLS ARE  
FALSE! BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!  
THE BANK COULD NOT MAKE SUCH  
A MISTAKE! THERE MUST BE SOME  
EXPLANATION... HAM-M...



...COULD IT BE THAT DOLL MAN HAS  
SOMEHOW FOUND PROTECTION AGAINST  
MY HYPNOTISM? I MUST PUT THE  
LITTLE CREATURE TO A TEST--  
ASSURE MYSELF THAT I HAVE  
NOT BEEN TRICKED!





NEXT MORNING, AS DARREL DANE ANSWERS AN AUTHORITATIVE KNOCK AT HIS DOOR...

YES?

I'M THE PLUMBER, MR. DANE! JUST A ROUTINE INSPECTION... I WON'T BOTHER YOU!

DANE! I COMMAND YOU TO CHANGE INTO DOLL MAN-- AT ONCE!

DARREL'S EYES BECAME DILATED... HIS HEAD REELS AS HE LOOKS INTO THE OMINOUS GLASSES OF THE MAD HYPNOTIST! THEN...

W-WHAT'S HAPPENED...? WHO ARE YOU?

EXCELLENT! EVIDENTLY MY THOUGHT WAVES ARE GETTING THROUGH WITH NO INTERFERENCE! BUT I MUST BE SURE HE IS COMPLETELY UNDER MY POWER! THE TEST WILL PROVE THAT!

STAND RIGID, DOLL MAN! NOW ANSWER THIS QUESTION QUICKLY: WHO IS DOLL GIRL? WHAT IS HER REAL-LIFE NAME?

I...ER...

SO... YOU'RE NOT UNDER MY POWER AFTER ALL, DOLL MAN! HAD YOU BEEN YOU WOULD HAVE ANSWERED MY QUESTION WITHOUT HESITATION!

YOU CALLED IT RIGHT, DU BOIS! IT WAS MIGHTY SHREWD... CONFRONTING ME WITH SOMETHING I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN IN MY RIGHT MIND!

I PLAYED THIS LITTLE GAME WITH YOU BECAUSE I REALIZED WHAT A SERIOUS THREAT YOUR EVIL GLASSES WERE TO SOCIETY! I HAD TO KNOW THEIR POWER AND HOW YOU INTENDED TO USE IT!

YOU'RE LYING! WHEN I HYPNOTIZED YOU IN THE MUSEUM YOU CARRIED OUT MY COMMAND AS DOLL MAN! THAT'S HOW I DISCOVERED YOUR TRUE-LIFE IDENTITY! YOU NEVER WOULD HAVE ALLOWED THAT... EVEN IN A GAME!

TRUE... YOU DID HYPNOTIZE ME THAT FIRST TIME! BUT YOU FORGET... AS DARREL DANE I'M A SCIENTIST! IT DIDN'T TAKE ME LONG TO REALIZE MY CONDITION AND FIND AN ANTIDOTE!

THEN THAT EXPLAINS THOSE PASTE PEARLS! BUT HOW DID YOU SUBSTITUTE THEM?

HE'S OFF GUARD! I'VE GOT TO GET HOLD OF THOSE GLASSES!

SIMPLE! I MERELY ENTERED THE VENTILATING SYSTEM WITH THEM WRAPPED ABOUT MY WAIST! THEN I FOLLOWED THROUGH WITH THE "FAKE" ROBBERY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR GLASSES! MIND IF I BORROW THEM?

H-HUH...?



BUT AS THE MIGHTY MITE SNARES THE GLASSES FROM DU BOIS' HAND...

W-WHA...! I UNDER-ESTIMATED THE WEIGHT OF THESE OPTICALS! THEY'RE THROWING ME OFF BALANCE!

THAT'S JUST THE BREAK I NEED, DOLL MAN! I'M GOING TO BLAST YOU FULL OF HOLES!

DOLL MAN...IN TROUBLE! I'D BETTER GET INTO ACTION FAST... AS DOLL GIRL!



WITH LIGHTNING-LIKE SPEED MARTHA MAKES HER AMAZING TRANSFORMATION INTO THE POPULAR DOLL GIRL, AND...

YOU'VE GOT A ONE-WAY TICKET TO STATE PRISON, MISTER! MIND IF I PUNCH IT?

NICE WORK, DOLL GIRL! THAT HAYMAKER MAKES HIM RIFE FOR JAIL!

O-OH!



NOT SO FAST, LITTLE MAN! REMEMBER...I KNOW YOUR TRUE IDENTITY! TURN ME OVER TO THE POLICE AND I'LL LET THE WORLD KNOW YOUR SECRET!

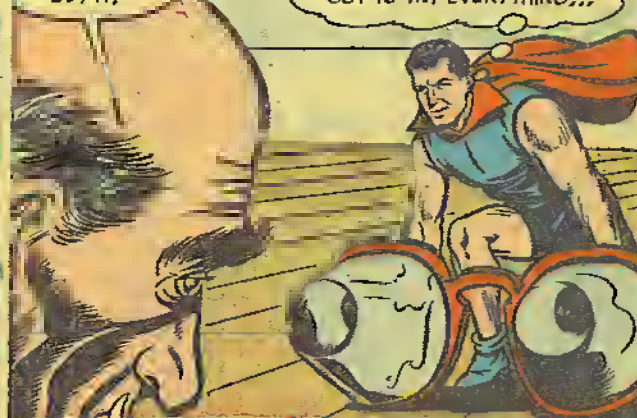
GREAT SCOTT! HE'S RIGHT! IT'S POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO REVEAL MY EVERY-DAY IDENTITY OF DARREL DANE! BUT...I CAN'T LET THIS THIEF GO...THERE MUST BE SOME ANSWER...



IT'S A FAIR DEAL, DOLL MAN--AIV FREEDOM FOR YOUR SECRET! YOU'D BETTER BUY IT!

P-PERHAPS YOU'RE RIGHT, DU BOIS!

THERE'S STILL ONE CHANCE TO 'OUTWIT THIS CHARACTER! GOT TO TRY EVERYTHING...



QUICKLY, DOLL MAN TAKES POSITION BEHIND THE HYPNOTIC GLASSES OF DR. DU BOIS AND...

LOOK AT ME, DU BOIS! THERE'S SOMETHING OF GREAT IMPORTANCE I MUST TELL YOU!

I GET IT, DOLL MAN! YOU'RE GOING TO TURN THE TABLES ON DU BOIS! USE HIS OWN HYPNOTIC GLASSES AGAINST HIM!

M-MY HEAD...



YOU WILL FORGET FOREVER DOLL MAN'S REAL-LIFE IDENTITY! THE NAME OF DARREL DANE MEANS NOTHING TO YOU! WHEN YOU WAKE YOU WILL CONFESS YOUR CRIMES TO THE POLICE AND TAKE YOUR PUNISHMENT!

I-I BELIEVE IT'S WORKING, DOLL MAN!



THEN, AFTER DOLL MAN HAS CAST HIS SPELL OVER ANDRE DU BOIS...

PLEASE... BRING ME TO THE POLICE AT ONCE! I MUST CONFESS MY CRIMES! WHO... ARE YOU?

A NEAT JOB, DOLL MAN! HE'S FORGOTTEN EVERYTHING EXCEPT HIS CRIMES! THOSE REALLY WORK!

YES... AND FOR THE LAST TIME, DOLL GIRL! WE CAN'T AFFORD HAVING THEM FALL INTO THE HANDS OF A MAD HYPNOTIST!





# DOLL MAN



STEADY, DOLL GIRL!  
THERE'S GOT TO BE  
A LOGICAL  
EXPLANATION..  
SOMEWHERE!

GOOD GRIEF,  
DOLL MAN! THOSE  
PHANTOM CREATURES..  
COMMITTING CRIMES!  
W-WHAT CAN IT MEAN?

IN THE PAST THE FAMED  
TEAM OF DOLL MAN AND  
DOLL GIRL HAVE MADE KNOWN  
THEIR CRIME FIGHTING SKILL  
BY OUTWITTING THE CLEVER-  
EST OF THE UNDERWORLD!  
HOWEVER THEY WERE LIV-  
ING BEINGS.. PERSONS  
WHO COULD BE SEEN AND  
GRASPED BY THE STRONG  
ARM OF LAW AND ORDER!  
BUT HOW CAN THE DIM-  
INUTIVE DYNAMOS BATTLE  
PHANTOM CREATURES  
CREATED BY...

**CRIME'S  
MR. MAGIC**

AS  
NIGHT  
WATCHMAN  
"POP"  
EDWARDS  
MAKES  
HIS  
APPOINTED  
ROUNDS  
IN  
AN  
IMPORTING  
WAREHOUSE  
ON  
THE  
CITY'S  
WEST  
SIDE...

STILL AS A MOUSE...JUST LIKE  
ALWAYS! DON'T KNOW WHY I  
EVER TOOK THIS JOB-- THE  
QUIET KINDA GETS ME DOWN  
NIGHT AFTER NIGHT...



W-WHA..  
WHO'S..  
THERE..?

EEEEEE  
EEAAAAHH!



WE ARE GHOSTS! COME...  
LIFT THE VEIL OF MYSTERY  
THAT SHROUDS YOUR  
WORLD! JOIN US IN  
OUR LIVES.. BEYOND!

I -- I MUST BE  
IMAGINING ALL THIS!  
IT.. CAN'T BE TRUE!  
G-GOTTA GET OUT  
OF HERE!



H-H-H-H-H!

HOOHOOHO!  
F-L-E-E  
C-O-W-A-R-D!



SHORTLY, DETECTIVE FRANK O'HARA RECEIVES AN  
URGENT CALL AS HE DINES WITH HIS FRIENDS,  
DARREL DANE AND MARTHA ROBERTS ....

LOOKS LIKE YOU FOLKS WILL  
HAVE TO EXCUSE ME! THAT  
WAS THE 3RD. PRECINCT!  
THERE'S BEEN A WAREHOUSE  
ROBBERY! THEY FOUND THE  
NIGHT WATCHMAN FRIGHTENED  
OUT OF HIS WITS -- RANTING  
ABOUT GHOSTS!

NEVER A DULL MO-  
MENT ON THE POLICE  
FORCE, EH, FRANK?  
HM-M.. AS A SCIENTIST  
THIS GHOST ANGLE  
MIGHT BE OF INTEREST  
TO ME! MIND IF  
MARTHA AND I TAG  
ALONG?



AT HEADQUARTERS ...

T-THERE WERE THREE  
OF 'EM.. BIG HUGE  
GHOSTS THEY WERE!  
WANTED ME TO GO WITH  
THEM.. BEYOND! THERE  
WERE THREE OF 'EM!

I'M GLAD YOU  
CAME, DARREL!  
IS THIS NIGHT  
WATCHMAN AS  
BAD OFF AS  
HE APPEARS?

IT'S OBVIOUS  
HE'S  
SUFFERED  
A SEVERE  
SHOCK,  
FRANK..



BUT WITHOUT A THOROUGH  
EXAMINATION IT'S HARD  
TO SAY! POOR CHAP..  
WHETHER IT BE FACT  
OR A FIGMENT OF  
HIS IMAGINATION ..  
IT SCARED THE  
DOLLMAN OUT  
OF HIM!

HOW  
TERRIBLE..



LATER AS DARREL ESCORTS  
MARTHA HOME ...

WHAT DO  
YOU MAKE  
OF IT,  
DARREL? FOR  
SOME STRANGE  
REASON I  
BELIEVE THAT  
THAT NIGHT  
MAN WAS  
SPEAKING  
THE  
TRUTH!

FRANKLY.. I DO, TOO,  
MARTHA! YET WE  
KNOW THAT GHOSTS  
DON'T EXIST! AND I  
HARDLY THINK  
THEY'D BOTHER WITH  
STEALING A FORTUNE  
IN PURE LIES..  
THERE'S SOMETHING  
SINISTER BEHIND IT  
ALL.. PERHAPS TIME  
WILL TELL US WHAT  
IT IS!



THE FOLLOWING EVENING AS  
THE PAIR OPERATE DARREL'S  
SHORT WAVE RADIO ...

ATTENTION ALL CARS! PROCEED TO  
MID-TOWN BANK - GUARD EMERGENCY  
ALARM HAS JUST BEEN PULLED..

DARREL, YOU  
DON'T SUPPOSE  
OUR GHOSTS  
ARE  
WORKING  
OVERTIME?

THERE'S ONE  
WAY TO FIND  
OUT, MARTHA!  
LET'S  
INVESTIGATE...  
AS DOLL MAN  
AND DOLL GIRL!





CONCENTRATING THEIR MASTERFUL WILL POWERS, DARREL AND MARTHA INSTANTLY TELESCOPE INTO THE DIMINUTIVE CRIME FIGHTING TEAM... DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL!

THE MID-TOWN BANK IS JUST A FEW BLOCKS FROM HERE -- TOO NEAR TO USE THE DOLL PLANE! NOW'S THE TIME TO TEST OUR NEW MIDGET CYCLE, DOLL GIRL!

LET'S HOPE THE DOLL-CYCLE LIVES UP TO EXPECTATIONS, DOLL MAN!



FASTER THAN THE SPEED OF SOUND THE AMAZING JET-POWERED DOLL-CYCLE ROARS TO THE MID-TOWN BANK WHERE ---

THERE'S THE BANK DEAD AHEAD.. AND THE DOOR'S WIDE OPEN! HANG ON, DOLL GIRL! THOSE STEPS WILL BE MIGHTY BUMPY!

I'M SET, DOLL MAN!



GREAT SCOTT! FROM THE EXPRESSION ON THAT GUARD'S FACE I'D SAY OUR SO-CALLED GHOSTS ARE IN ACTION!

O-DOLL MAN... LOOK!



A-A SKELETON OF A HUMAN BEING.. FLOATING IN SPACE!

YES.. AND IT'S SHOWING A KEEN INTEREST IN MONEY! TAKE OVER THE CONTROLS, DOLL GIRL! I'M GOING TO RATTLE A FEW BONES!



THOUGHT I'D DROP UP AND LUBRICATE YOUR JOINTS, FELLER! YOU'RE NOT FOR REAL.. ARE YOU?

HA-HA! YOU'LL SOON LEARN, HUMAN!



H-HUH?

SEE.. LITTLE MAN! HO-HO! YOU CANNOT HARM THE DEAD!



BEFORE THE VERY EYES OF DOLL MAN THE SPECTRAL THIEF FLOATS OUT OF REACH ...

GOOD BYE FOR NOW, LITTLE MAN! BUT, HA, HA, WE SHALL MEET AGAIN!

GOOD GRACIOUS, DOLL MAN! CAN IT BE TRUE! H-HAS THAT CREATURE SOME SORT OF GHOSTLY POWERS?





SHORTLY, AS DOLL MAN SEEKS THE GHOSTLY THIEF'S SECRET...

WE CAN'T BELIEVE THAT SUCH A THING CAN ACTUALLY EXIST, DOLL GIRL! IN SOME MANNER OUR GHOST CROOK MUST HAVE SUSPENDED HIMSELF IN MID-AIR -- PERHAPS BY WIRES -- HELLO! WHAT'S THIS?



WHY IT LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING TORN FROM A GAYLY COLORED PIECE OF CLOTH!

YES! A BRIGHT MULTICOLORED MATERIAL LIKE A MAGICIAN'S HANDKERCHIEF! DOLL GIRL, THAT MUST BE IT! OUR CULPRIT IS A MAGICIAN! THAT EXPLAINS HIS SKILL! OUR WORK IS CUT OUT-- WE'VE GOT TO CHECK EVERY MAGICIAN IN TOWN.



FOR THE NEXT THREE DAYS THE CRIME FIGHTING PAIR CANVASS THE TOWN IN THEIR REAL-LIFE IDENTITIES OF DARREL CANE AND MARTHA ROBERTS..



SEE THE THRILLING

NO LUCK THERE!

NO, THAT ONE'S TOO SMALL TO BE OUR GHOST ROBBER!

FINALLY..

WELL, DARREL, I GUESS WE'RE BEATEN! WE'VE CHECKED EVERY MAGICIAN IN TOWN AND THEY'VE EITHER PERFECT ALIBIS OR THEY DON'T RESEMBLE THE GHOST FIGURE IN SIZE!

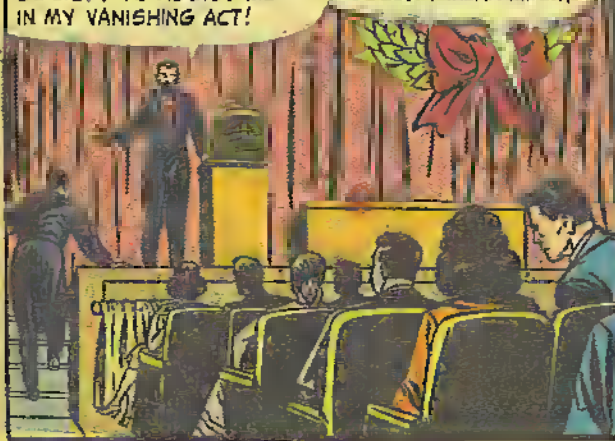
WE'VE MISSED ONE, MARTHA! MR. MAGIC, WHO IS TO PERFORM FOR THE EXCLUSIVE SOCIETY BENEFIT CROWD TONIGHT! SOUNDS PRETTY HOPELESS, BUT LET'S SEE THIS THROUGH!



THAT NIGHT...

AND NOW, FOR MY LAST ACT, I WANT THE HEAD OF THE SOCIETY TO ASSIST ME IN MY VANISHING ACT!

WELL, HE'S ABOUT THE SAME SIZE AND HEIGHT AS THE GHOST THIEF! BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN MUCH!



SUDDENLY..

YES, FOLKS, HA, HA, I'M GOING TO MAKE YOUR BENEFIT TREASURER VANISH TOGETHER WITH THE GIANT FUND YOU FOLKS HAVE DONATED! HA, HA!

MARTHA! GREAT SCOTT! THAT HANDKERCHIEF HE'S USING IS TORN! QUICKLY! IT'S TIME FOR DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL TO TAKE OVER!





ONCE AGAIN THE PAIR CONDENSE THE MOLECULES OF THEIR BODIES AND BECOME THE STARTLING DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL!

IF MR. MAGIC IS GUILTY HE'LL HAVE A FORTUNE WITHIN HIS HANDS! THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN THAT FISH BOWL!

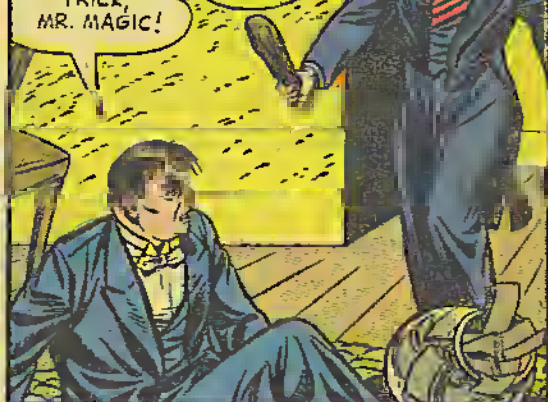
HE'S RUNNING BEHIND THAT CURTAIN AND DOESN'T SEE US YET!



SPLIT SECONDS AFTERWARD ---

WHA...? THAT'S A RATHER ROUGH TRICK, MR. MAGIC!

SO IT WAS..



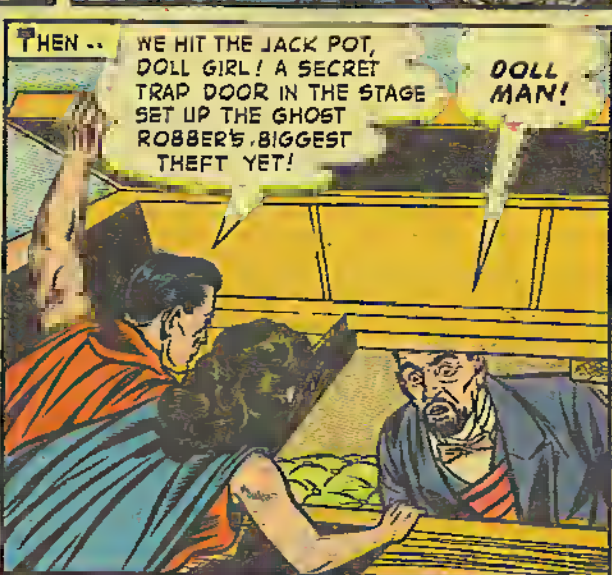
BUT BEING TOUGH IS PART OF MY BUSINESS, YOU RICH OLD FOOL!



THEN --

WE HIT THE JACK POT, DOLL GIRL! A SECRET TRAP DOOR IN THE STAGE SET UP THE GHOST ROBBER'S BIGGEST THEFT YET!

DOLL MAN!



YOU MEDDLING LITTLE MITE! SO YOU'VE CAUGHT ONTO MY GAME JUST AS I WAS ABOUT TO MAKE MY BIGGEST THEFT!

RIGHT! YOUR SCHEME TO END YOUR THEATRICAL CAREER WITH A ROBBERY BACKFIRED, MR. MAGIC!

UTILIZING YOUR MAGIC TRICKS FOR A LIFE OF CRIME IS A DREAM YOU'LL NEVER REALIZE NOW!

LOOK OUT, DOLL MAN! HE MUST HAVE ANOTHER SECRET ESCAPE EXIT OUT OF THAT THING!

OPEN IT QUICKLY! WE'VE GOT TO GRAB HIM BEFORE HE WIGGLES OUT OF THIS THING SOME WAY!

HE WON'T ELUDE US THIS TIME, DOLL MAN!





SUDDENLY, AS THE CRIME SMASHERS  
RAISE THE LID ...

GREAT SCOTT!  
LOOK OUT!

G-GOODNESS!

THEN ...

HA-HA! NOW  
LET'S SEE YOU  
TWO GET OUT OF MY  
PRIZE ESCAPE NET!

THE DEVIL  
BOOBY  
TRAPPED US,  
DOLL GIRL!

ABRUPTLY, HEAVY NETTING PLUMMETS  
DOWN UPON THE PAIR!

GOOD BYE, AGAIN, DOLL  
MAN! YOU'LL ALWAYS BE  
HELPLESS WHEN YOU TRY  
TO COPE WITH CRIME'S  
MR. MAGIC! HA-HA-HA!

GREAT  
HANNAH!  
HE'S  
OUTWITTED  
US AGAIN!

AFTERWARD ...

HE SEEMS TO HAVE A TRICK FOR  
EVERY ATTACK AGAINST HIM!  
HOW WILL WE EVER CATCH UP  
WITH HIM, DOLL MAN?

WE'VE GOT TO BE JUST AS  
TRICKY AS HE IS, DOLL  
GIRL! LOOK! HERE  
ARE HIS FAMOUS  
TRICKS!

FLOATING  
GHOST

MIRRI  
IMAGE

ESCA  
PROOF  
BOX

YOU SEE, THOSE  
TRICK MIRRORS  
WERE USED IN  
THE IMPORTING  
WAREHOUSE TO  
REFLECT THE  
THREE GHOSTS  
THE WATCHMAN  
SAW! AND THOSE  
SLENOER WIRES  
ENABLED MR. MAGIC  
TO APPEAR TO  
BE FLOATING IN  
SPACE IN THE  
SKELETON COSTUME!

THANK HEAVEN  
WE'VE EXPOSED  
HIM, DOLL MAN!  
THERE'S NO  
TELLING HOW  
MANY  
CRIMES  
OF  
MAGIC  
HE  
HAD  
PLANNED!

YES... HE WON'T BE  
ABLE TO BLUFF THE  
PUBLIC WITH HIS  
TRICKS ANYMORE,  
DOLL GIRL! BUT  
WE STILL HAVEN'T  
APPREHENDED  
HIM! I WONDER  
WHAT HIS NEXT  
MOVE WILL BE?

HMM ...  
THAT  
ENVELOPE  
TAPED TO  
THE SIDE  
OF THE  
MAGICIAN'S  
BOAT! WHAT  
COULD IT  
BE?

AS DOLL MAN INVESTIGATES ...

WHY IT'S AN AIRLINES  
CHART CONCERNING  
WEIGHT ALLOWANCES  
OF BAGGAGE!  
WONDER WHY MR.  
MAGIC WAS SO  
INTERESTED IN IT!  
HMM... FEATURING  
COMPRESSION LUG-  
GAGE COMPARTMENTS!  
OF COURSE! LET'S  
HURRY, DOLL GIRL!  
WE HAVEN'T A  
MOMENT TO SPARE!

THIS  
IS  
GREEK  
TO  
ME...  
BUT  
I'M  
WITH  
YOU!

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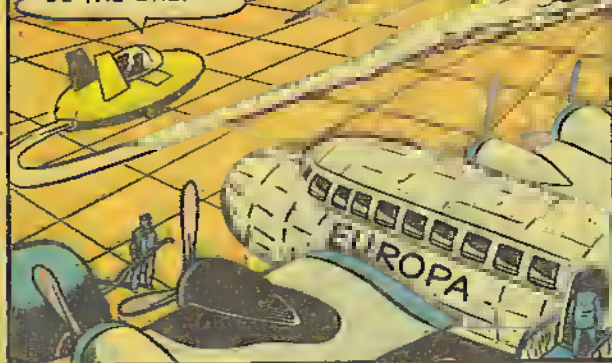
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SOON AFTER, THE FAMED DOLL PLANE ZOOMS IN FOR A LANDING AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ...

THERE'S AN EUROPA AIRLINES PLANE ABOUT TO TAKE OFF NOW, DOLL GIRL! WE'VE GOT TO STOP IT!... THAT MAY BE THE ONE!

HURRY, DOLL MAN!



WE'VE MADE IT! PILOT! I'D LIKE TO INSPECT YOUR PLANE'S LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT AT ONCE! HAVE WE YOUR PERMISSION?

GOSH.. YOU SURE CAN! IT'S LOCATED IN THE NOSE OF THE SHIP.. I'LL HAVE A LADDER WHEELED OUT IMMEDIATELY!

D-DOLL MAN!



LATER, WHEN ALL THE LUGGAGE HAD BEEN INSPECTED ...

YOU MUST BE WRONG, DOLL MAN! NO HUMAN BEING COULD FIT INTO ANY OF THIS LUGGAGE! PERHAPS OUR EVIL FRIEND, MR. MAGIC DIDN'T INTEND TO TAKE THIS PARTICULAR PLANE, DOLL GIRL BUT I'M STILL SURE OF MY MUNCH!

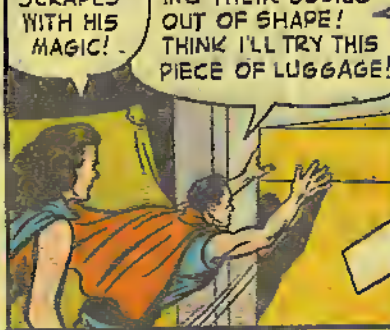
SO AM I! THAT TRICKY CHARACTER MIGHT TRY ANYTHING... HE'S WIGGLED OUT OF A DOZEN SCRAPES WITH HIS MAGIC!

HM-M! WIGGLED OUT OF.. COME TO THINK OF IT TO NOTCH MAGICIANS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO BE EXCELLENT CONTORTIONISTS... EXPERTS AT TWISTING THEIR BODIES OUT OF SHAPE! THINK I'LL TRY THIS PIECE OF LUGGAGE!

SUDDENLY ..

CLEVER, DOLL MAN! BUT TRY AND SEE YOUR WAY THROUGH THIS! HA-HA!

NOT THIS TIME, MR. MAGIC! I COULD SMELL YOU OUT... WITHOUT THE USE OF RADAR TO CUT THROUGH YOUR LUCKY SCREEN!



THAT'S A SLEIGHT-OF-HAND TRICK HE'LL NEVER FORGET, DOLL MAN!

U-UGH!



AND WHEN THE POLICE ARRIVE MOMENTS LATER ....

BUT HOW'D YOU KNOW MR. MAGIC WAS PLANNING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY IN THE LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT OF THIS PARTICULAR AIRLINES PLANE, DOLL MAN?

BECAUSE EUROPA AIRLINES IS THE ONLY OUTFIT WITH PRESSURIZED BAGGAGE COMPARTMENTS, OFFICER! MR. MAGIC'S CUNNING ESCAPE SCHEME VIA AIR LUGGAGE WAS DEPENDENT UPON AIR FOR HIM TO BREATHE AT HIGH ALTITUDES. ONLY COMPRESSION COMPARTMENTS GAVE HIM THAT!

WELL HE'S FINISHED AT LAST! NOW, PERHAPS, DECENT

CAN BREATHE EASIER!





# DOLL MAN



THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MITE

**DON'T STARE INTO THESE LENSES!**

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DANGER!**

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SPELLBINDING  
GLASSES OF  
**THE MAD  
HYPNOTIST**